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Applicant: Billing-Medel, et al.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box AF Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated December 20, 2000, of the Examiner finally rejecting Claims 1-13, 15-22, 38, 41, and 45-49.

Please charge deposit Account 01-0025 in the amount of \$310.00 to cover the cost of the Notice of Appeal. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above-numbered deposit account. A duplicate of this sheet is attached.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box AF Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Notice of Appeal for P. A. Billing-Medel, *et al.*, for REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES OF THE BREAST, the specification of which was filed on November 17, 1998, and received Serial No. 09/193,538.

Also enclosed is a return-receipt postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional Filing Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16, as well as any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 associated with this communication for which full payment has not been tendered, to Deposit Account No. 01-0025. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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